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Fort Worth Convention Report to the TNA Membership

TNA's 34th Convention, held April 24-26 at the Tarrant County Convention Center in Fort Worth, was certainly a huge success. Attendance was above expectations and most of the dealers reported they were pleased with business, both among themselves and with collectors

There were 117 tables sold and occupied by dealers from all across the nation. We had both competitive and non-competitive exhibits, all of which were well done and worth viewing. The Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas let us use their display of genuine and counterfeit U.S. currency. The exhibits drew a lot of praise.

Appearing on our educational program were sculptress Miley Busiek of Dallas, ANA President Ed Rochette of Colorado Springs and TNA District V Governor Frank E Clark, Ill of Carrollton. Each of these persons gave us a memorable talk in his or her particular spheres of expertise

Heritage Numismatic Auctions, Inc. of Dallas conducted one of their "bullet auctions" on Friday evening Heritage paid us \$1,000 00 for the privilege of holding the auction in conjunction with our convention. This sum, in its entirety, went to TNA

Financially, TNA is pleased with its income from the convention. In TNA's 32 years, this is the first convention we have had conducted by a dealer, rather than a host club. Everett Hull of Fort Worth Coin Co. and his colleague, Chris Keogh, put on an excellent convention for us. TNA and FWCC shared equally in a profit of \$15,170.65. TNA is pleased with what FWCC accomplished, and FWCC must be

pleased also, for we have another contract with them for 1993. TNA hopes that this arrangement will continue for years to come

The 1993 convention dates are May 7-9 The venue will be the Tarrant County Convention Center, as for 1992. Make your plans now to join us in what promises to be an even more exciting and successful convention.

--Mac Kennady, First Vice-President





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Larry Heat

A Loving Tribute to William H Hill by Nela Runkle

The members of the Golden Spread Coin Club, Inc wish to pay tribute to the memory of William H Hill of Albuquerque, New Mexico, who passed away June 1, 1992. For more than 30 years, dating from the days when the Amarillo coin shows were held at the old Herring Hotel, Bill didn't miss a single one until May 30-31, 1992. To us, he was much more than a coin dealer, he was a landmark, a friend, a buddy and much, much more. His regular tables stood empty at this year's show, not by plan, but by fate. He was missed by all, even by those that did not remember his name. Bill was known to us by many names, "one of our Albuquerque boys", "Wild Bill", "Hillbilly Bill", "Singing Bill", etc. We will miss you, friend, but never forget you!

Mr Hill's family has asked that memorials in Bill's name be made to the American Heart Fund Contact address is Tim Hill, 6912 Lamar Av, N W Albuquerque, NM 87120.



President's Message Ray Whyborn

Although our election of new officers is not held until the first of the year, it is not too soon to prepare for this biennial event. According to the TNA bylaws, I am to call for the nomination of officers and district governors in the November issue of the TNA News. Due to our revised publication schedule, there will not be a November issue. Since the December issue will really be too late to allow everyone to act, I will issue the official call for nominations in the October issue.

l am alerting you now so that you will have adequate time to select some candidates that you would like to manage this association. All offices, from President through District XVII Governor, will be open for nomination or renomination. All except the president and vice-presidents (who are limited to not more than two consecutive terms) may serve unlimited numbers of terms. Both Mac Kennady and I are completing our second consecutive terms, therefore, new candidates must be found for at least these two offices

If you are pleased with our newly appointed second vice-president and secretary, and are proud of the fine job our treasurer is doing, you need to renominate them so that they appear on the ballot.

District governors are nominated and elected only by the members residing in that district. The candidate must also be a resident of the district he or she intends to represent. If your current governor has truly represented you, has attended most of the board meetings, has voted on most of the issues, has served on committees and been of

service to the Association, you should encourage him or her to run again. Some of these folks worked very hard to keep TNA a viable organization when things were really tough last year. Without their support and assistance, we might very well not have our beloved organization now. These officers should be encouraged to run again and be nominated for an additional term. On the other hand, if you feel that you could be better represented by someone more active or more aware of the needs of the organization, now is the time to find a candidate who can fulfill your needs. Some districts do not have, and have not had, a governor for quite some Now is the time to get yourself the representation to which you are entitled Out of almost 1,000 members, we've got some really talented and highly qualified people. Some will heed the call and volunteer to serve Most will not, but many will run if urged. There are no automatic returns to office Every officer must be nominated and submit a letter of acceptance along with a short biographical sketch to be printed in the TNA News.

Since the official call for nominations will be made in the next issue of the TNA News, you have about 60 days to find candidates whom you would like to see on the ballot. The future of this Association depends on the officers that you, the members, nominate, elect and support. Please give this your serious consideration. Each chapter should dedicate sufficient time during the next meeting or two for members to discuss the candidates they would like to see on the ballot, to write or speak to their candidates and to convince them to serve

Everything you need to know about officers, their qualifications, terms and nominating procedures are in the amended bylaws. If you, your governor or your chapter do not have a copy, TNA Secretary Barbara Lowell will send you one upon request.

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In Fond Memory of Jim Hall by Lamonte Pitzer

James E "Jim" Hall died May 29, 1992 at his home in Lubbock, Texas, after a lengthy illness He was 63 years of age.

Jim was born in McLean, Texas and moved to Lubbock in 1953. He graduated from Texas Tech University in 1951 with a degree in Business Administration and worked as a public accountant. He was active in numerous church and civic organizations, as well as the ANA and TNA Jim was life member #4 of the South Plains Coin Club, where he was twice voted outstanding member of the year. He served the club as president, bourse chairman and auctioneer. He was an avid collector of U.S. and world coins, and promoted numismatics through club programs and the organizations of which he was a member.

Jim is survived by his wife, Mary; son, Jay; daughters, Julie McCasland, Marijane Piersall and Meg Griffin; brother, Tom Reagor; and seven grandchildren.



From the 1st Vice President.. Mac Kennady

Dear fellow members - Some of you may think it a bit premature for me to mention the approaching election of officers. Stop and consider, though, that this is the August, 1992 issue of the TNA News. Our alternate-month publishing schedule provides that the next issue will appear in October and the one following that will be published in December This message is NOT a call for nominations; your TNA President, in the absence of a November issue, will call for nominations in the October issue. This message is intended to serve as a reminder that nominations must be in the hands of the Secretary by December 31, 1992. In order for a member to be eligible for nomination to the office of President, he or she must have served in an elective office. There is no provision for having served any particular length of time. The President and Vice Presidents may not succeed themselves more than one time, which means that your current President and First Vice President are not eligible for reelection to their respective offices. Your newly appointed Second Vice President, Leo DeLand of Fort Worth, is eligible for election to that post. Both the Secretary and the Treasurer may continue to serve as many terms as they wish. I feel sure that Barbara Lowell will wish to continue to serve as Secretary Larry Smulczenski has expressed the desire to cease serving as Treasurer. Larry has done a fine job as Treasurer and I wish he would reconsider. It's not easy to find dedicated and capable members such as Larry to serve TNA

Having read the above paragraph, you realize that

next year TNA will have an almost completely new set of officers in the top five slots. TNA will need to have its membership give a great deal of thoughtful and caring consideration to those persons who will be nominated to lead us into May, 1995. With the TNA News being published on an every-other-month schedule the call for nominations will be here before you know it. Start now to give some serious thought to those members you would like to see in office. Time has a way of slipping away.

Also, please don't forget the District Governors. We have some fine ones out there who have served TNA and their districts well. You should have a pretty good idea how well your Governor has served. If he needs to be replaced, then by all

means, nominate someone else to that post.

Do take an active part in TNA's nomination and election process and when you receive your ballot, for gosh sakes, "VOTE"!

See ya' next issue



A Few Words From the Editor Bob Metzger

As I try to get this issue completed and in the mail before my annual, self-indulgent, sans family trip to the ANA's summer convention, I see there are a few unrelated but important items that I'd like to share, so here goes...

When I took over editing duties earlier this year, I strove to come up with "filler" material that would be interesting and unusual, yet germane; as you have no doubt realized by now, I have used pictures of Texas tokens to fill in most of what would otherwise be whitespace in these pages. Most of these have been taken from the pages of the various books written or cowritten by Mr. William E. Fowler, of Austin. In order to avoid copyright problems, I contacted the author to ask his permission; he not only enthusiastically granted this permission, but invited me to visit and talk tokens with him. Bill and I have since become good friends I am saddened to report that Bill's beloved wife, Lynda, passed away just a few weeks ago. 1 know many TNA members know Bill and Lynda, and are likewise saddened to hear of Lynda's passing.

On a more upbeat note, there is some very encouraging news from the Georgetown area. TNA junior member Gabe Proctor, whose article on the ANA Early Spring Convention appeared in our April Issue, has spearheaded the effort to start a new coin club. The Williamson County Coin Club met in both June and July, and now has a slate of temporary officers and a regular meeting schedule (first Thursday of the month, 7PM at Christ

Lutheran Church in Georgetown) The club has about a dozen members, and will be publicized throughout the central Texas area to encourage other collectors to join. As a Williamson County resident myself, I am really excited about this; I am also really impressed by the initiative shown by a high school student to get this club going. Way to go, Gabe!

Another TNA member and TNA News contributor, Col Bill Murray, will be a speaker at the Numismatic Theater at the ANA 101st Anniversary Convention in Orlando in August. Bill will be speaking on the benefits of ANA membership. If you've never been to a major national convention like this, I strongly urge you to try to go. Educational opportunities truly abound, and the chance to meet and actually talk to prominent, learned numismatists is unmatched Exhibits can be mind-boggling, I spend far more time at talks, meetings and in the exhibit area than on the bourse I'll be entering two competitive exhibits this year, but cannot risk compromising their anonymity by talking about them here, I'll talk about them in the next issue. Suffice to say, I've really had a great time and learned a lot just by putting them together

Last issue, I promised to begin digging through the mountain of material I had received from the previous editor and various other TNA sources when I assumed the editorship. I have thus far uncovered articles written by Bernard Loebe, Lance A Dohe, Ralph Ross and James F. Looby to add to the ones contributors have sent to me. Anyone who has sent an original article directly to me should have received a postcard from me acknowledging its receipt. Keep watching, there are some great articles in the queue now. See you at ANA (I hope) and in the October issue.

Whose Portrait Is On What? Part I: Great Britain, Germany & France by Charles C. Templeton

Ancient Roman coinage set the pattern of a plain bust of the emperor on the obverse of a coin. Each of these portraits is quite individual, considering that a given ruler was sometimes in power for only a few weeks or months. Sometimes a wife, mother or other relative of the emperor was also on a coin. For example, Livia, the mother of Tiberius, was on the reverse of his "tribute penny" denarius.

English coinage also used an image of a king on a coin as early as the Celtic and Norman periods. However, the images began to be individualized with the coins of Henry VIII, and became good likenesses from the period of Charles II to the present. Through George VI, only the sovereign had appeared on the coins of Great Britain. This changed, however, with Elizabeth II. Just after his death, in 1965, Winston Churchill appeared on the reverse of a crown, the first commoner to be so honored. In 1980, Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, was shown on the reverse of a 25 new pence coin, on the occasion of her 80th birthday. In 1981, Prince Charles and Lady Diana Spencer were on the reverse of another 25 new pence coin honoring their wedding. Thus, these three became the first living persons other than a sovereign to appear on British All these issues were, of course, commemoratives.

When Prince Andrew and Sarah Ferguson married in 1986, they appeared on a crown, but one of the Isle of Man. The Isle of Man coinage has had many persons on their commemoratives.

British paper money appeared after the founding of the Bank of England in 1694. King George V was the first monarch shown on this currency, starting with a 10 shilling note in August 1914. Apparently, Edward VIII and George VI never appeared on Bank of England notes, a figure of Brittania being used at those times Elizabeth II assumed the throne in 1952, and first appeared on a one pound note in 1960. The various banknotes of Scotland have never shown a reigning monarch, but have used national heroes like King Robert the Bruce, Sir Walter Scott, Robert Burns and David Livingstone. Beginning in 1970, various English heroes began to appear on the reverses of Bank of England notes, with Queen Elizabeth on the obverse Thus, dramatist William Shakespeare was on the reverse of the 20 pound note in 1970, followed by military hero the Duke of Wellington on the five pound note, scientist Sir Isaac Newton on the one pound note, nurse Florence Nightingale on the ten pound note and architect Christopher Wren on the fifty pound note. In 1990, George Stephenson, the inventor of the railroad locomotive, appeared on the reverse of a new five pound note.

The German Empire was established in 1871 by Bismarck under the Prussian king as the emperor. The Kaisers (Wilhelm I, Friedrich III and Wilhelm II) appeared on the Prussian silver and gold coins, but not on the Empire coinage, which had one mark as its top denomination. Paul von Hindenburg, president of the Weimar Republic, appeared while living on the commemorative coin for the tenth anniversary of the establishment of that republic's constitution (5 marks, KM-64, 1929), but not on the regular coinage. Under the Third Reich, Hitler appeared on no coinage, but Hindenburg was

portrayed after his death. On commemoratives, various cultural figures were depicted, but none were living at the time they appeared.

On First Reich paper money, all figures seem to have been allegorical. On Second Reich currency, several portraits appeared, but few were cultural figures, instead, they were persons from various paintings and etchings by German artists Things were about the same under Hitler's regime

Since 1945, West Germany put some statesmen like Adenauer and Heuss on regular coins, but only after their deaths. East Germany had no portraits on their regular coinage up through two marks. Both West and East regimes had many persons on commemoratives. On its currency, West Germany had artistic figures as before; East Germany had artistic figures and also Communist figures such as Marx and Engels.

After 1870, when France was finished with kings and emperors, its coins showed goddesses (such as Ceres) or allegorical feminine figures of Liberty. Commemorative coins had portraits of deceased actual persons. On French paper money after 1945 there were allegorical portraits, but also a group of cultural heroes, such as Victor Hugo, Cardinal Richelieu, Moliere, Voltaire, Racine, Corneille, Pascal, Delacroix, Debussy and Montesquieu



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Secretary's Notes Barbara Lowell

Welcome to members # 5721 - 5777 The following have applied for membership. If approved they will become members September 1, 1992:

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- J-5779 (D-06) Linda A. Johnson, 3426 El Dorado, Missouri City, TX 77459. All money. Min Li Hu.
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- J-5781 (D-06) Mario Giovanni Sanchez, 69 Queen Mary Ct, Sugar Land, TX 77479. German Coins. Min Li Hu.
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- Corrections & Changes:
- R-3266 Paul R. Johnson, P.O. Box 92053, Bridlewood Mall Postal Outlet, Scarborough, Ontario MIW 348, Canada
- R-5317 Joel Rettew, P.O. Box 8604, Newport Beach, CA 92658
- R-5766 Gary Tancer, P.O. Box 1851, Fort Lee, NJ 07024

Deceased members:

R-1772 James E "Jim" Hall, Lubbock, TX R-2522 William H Hill, Albuquerque, NM R-2913 Charles V Suggs, Houston, TX Rest in peace...

Un-Deceased Members

R-5653 D A Perry, Farmers Branch, TX who reports that the announcement of his death in the May issue of ANA's *The Numismatist* was, to the best of his knowledge, premature.

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Aug 22-23 Fort Worth, TX 65 Tables
21st Annual Summer Coin & Stamp Show
Green Oak Inn, 6901 West Freeway (I-30)
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Sept 12-13 Beaumont, TX

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Oct 17-18 San Antonio, TX 25 Tables
Alamo Coin, Stamp & Card Show
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Oct 22-24 Fort Worth, TX
Forth Worth Coin Club 31st Annual Coin Show
Green Oak Inn, I-30 & Green Oaks Road
Write: Club, Box 7733, Fort Worth, TX 76111

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Nov 21-22 Wichita Falls, TX

Red River Coin Club Coin & Stamp Show
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DISTRICT I

Seventeen members attended the June 4 meeting of the Fort Worth Coin Club at the Botanic Gardens and were treated to Dr Robert Mallet's program on collecting clad coins. The dates of the annual coin show were confirmed as October 23, 24 and 25, and the location confirmed as the Green Oaks Inn.

--Cleo Moss, club Secretary

DISTRICT IV

Nineteen members and a guest attended the June 9 meeting of the Austin Texas Coin Club Five members, noticing that no program was listed on the meeting reminder, each took it upon themselves to provide an educational mini-program to try to fill the gap. Consequently, Moton Crockett described and displayed the effects of PVC contamination of a silver coin; Owen Smith told the story of and showed a misattributed coin from Nabataea he bought in a group lot in a mail bid auction; Francis Smith passed around a sample ANA Coin Card, Bob Metzger exhibited a complete set of Whooping Crane Woods (as described in the June 1992 TNA News), and Dr. Bob Greenwood talked about and displayed a variety of banknotes issued by the Republic of Texas and the Bank of Texas

At the July 14 meeting, tribute was paid to Mrs Lynda Fowler, who passed away earlier in the month Afterward, a spirited discussion took place concerning the Austin City Council's attempt to dictate both the security company and the number of guards required at functions held in city facilities; if passed, this resolution would more than double the security costs of coin shows. After the discussion, Francis Smith gave a program on a topical collection of coins he assembled from the ports he visited while in the U.S. Navy. He displayed the coins, told how he acquired them and mentioned how they had appreciated over time.

--Bob Metzger, reporter &

Larry Smulczenski, club Vice President

At the June 18 meeting of the Capital City Coin Club, 22 members and a guest heard Dick Mowery's report on the club's annual show, which had been held the previous weekend. With a profit of nearly \$2000 and 16 deposits made for the 1993 show, the show was declared a huge success, and thanks were extended to the 29 club member volunteers who worked the show. Public attendance was reported at nearly 1600, and 78 dealers, from 14 states, participated in the bourse. After Dick's report, Bob Metzger played an ANA "Money Talks" demo tape, which featured 4 radio spots, each running about 2 minutes in length. The meeting concluded with an auction

The July 16 meeting featured a program by Larry Smulczenski on anti-counterfeiting techniques used by security printing firms. He showed familiar techniques such as engraved printing and watermarks, as well as newer ones like optically variable devices, microprinting, hidden flourescent designs and latent images. Larry also showed some counterfeits of devalued foreign currency

--Bob Metzger, club Vice President & Larry Smulczenski, reporter

The Williamson County Coin Club had its first two meetings on June 16 and July 7, spearheaded by club organizer and TNA junior member Gabe Proctor Over a dozen people were in attendance at each meeting, including a number of local TNA members A slate of temporary officers and a set of bylaws were approved by attendees at the July meeting, after which J.C. Wang gave a very informative program on Chinese coins and chopmarks The club invites everyone in the central Texas area to join in the fun, and share their numismatic ideas and knowledge. Meetings will be held at 700 P.M. on the first Thursday of each month at Christ Lutheran Church, 510 Luther Drive, Georgetown Come support this newest club! --Bob Metzger, reporter

DISTRICT V

The May meeting of the Dallas Coin Club was attended by seventeen members (including four new ones) and one guest. They were entertained and educated by Joe Barthold, who gave a program on Love Tokens, illustrated with slides borrowed from the ANA. He explained how the art of engraving coins started in the late 1700's or early 1800's in England, and that the engraved coins were offered as tokens of love. Love Tokens were especially popular in the U.S. in the 19th century, and were made from just about every U.S. coin available During the business portion of the meeting, dates of December 11-13 were set for the club's annual show, with the location still to be determined. An auction, featuring 38 items, netted the club \$18.45

Nineteen members attended the June meeting, where Hal Cherry gave an enlightened history of the Spanish Mill Dollar as colonial currency, reminding listeners that Spanish currency was legal tender in the U.S. until 1825, due to the mint's inability to produce sufficient coinage for the citizenry. Mark Schroeder reported how recent hoard sales have kept prices of silver dollars flat, and John Creviston pointed out that the new color photocopiers have caused such a surge in dollar bill counterfeiting that there is a renewed interest in a dollar coin. The meeting concluded with an auction which netted the club \$5.10

--Michael P. Grant, club Secretary/Treasurer & Barbara deAnda, reporter

Fifteen members and four guests attended the June meeting of the Garland Coin Club A discussion was held regarding the possibility of holding two one-day coin shows per year, instead of the current single show, and the membership supported the idea President Tim Lee promised to further research this and report his findings back to the club. A club bowling party was announced, scheduled for July 12 Harry Chand gave an educational program on the Twelve Caesars Some of the interesting facts Harry shared were that only three of the twelve died of natural causes, that the reigns of the twelve emperors ranged from as few as ninety days to as long as fifteen years, and that they ruled Rome for a total of 145 years Harry displayed and discussed a few ancient coins of the period, including a silver denarius The meeting concluded with an auction of fifteen lots, earning \$5.55 for the club treasury

The July meeting was called to order with

thirteen members and five guests in attendance Tim Lee's program consisted of numismatic and history quizzes geared for both adults and juniors. Three juniors and one adult won prizes for their scores. A \$50.00 gift to the Garland Women's Activites Building Council, Inc. was approved as a token of gratitude for the use of the facility for club meetings. Fifteen lots sold in the July auction, yielding \$3.20 for the club treasury.

—Ron Blaha, club Secretary/Treasurer

DISTRICT VI

The July 6 meeting of the Bellaire Coin Club was devoted to a discussion of the club's upcoming coin show, to be held August 1 and 2 in the Bellaire Community Center on Rice Street Greg Nolan, club vice-president and show chairman, reported good progress on bourse table sales. Editor's Note: The club treasurer is Joe Wells. The TNA News editor apologizes for erroneously reporting this in the June issue but is very pleased to know that TNA members are reading these reports.

--Chris Johns, reporter

The Greater Houston Coin Club met on July 16 and held its quarterly auction Club vice-president, Mike Wolford, and board member and Double Shift editor, Francis Townsend, were absent due to their attendance at the ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs. Francis' transportation, tuition, room and board were paid for by the club, which chooses and sponsors one member every year Visitors at the July meeting included Mrs Norma Levy, new president of neighboring Bellaire Coin Club, and her husband The Greater Houston Coin Club meets monthly on the third Thursday, at 7.30 PM, at St

Paul's Presbyterian Church on Bellaire at the Southwest Freeway Visitors are always welcome -- Chris Johns, reporter

The Pasadena Coin Club meeting of July 13 was highlighted by Lennie Ripley's reading of an article on eagles on coins since ancient times, from the February 20, 1956 issue of Numismatic Scrapbook magazine. The date for the club's annual mid-year potluck dinner was announced as August 10, to be held at the Webster Presbyterian Church on NASA Road 1. The club sadly noted the passing of club and TNA member Charlie Suggs.

--Chris Johns, reporter

DISTRICT VII

At their April meeting, members of the Alamo Coin Club enjoyed Miriam Gilmore's talk on San Antonio coin clubs as they were in the 1960's Miriam, former long-time TNA News editor, used issues of the News from that period to illustrate her program. Among other things, attendees learned that the Alamo Coin Club arose as a spin-off of the San Antonio Coin Club, geared for the more novice collector.

The May program featured a program on Notgeld by Bob Lacewell. He explained the history of this emergency money and displayed a variety of specimens. Two brief articles on coinage of the Confederate States of America, written by Steve Young, graced the pages of the club's June newsletter, the last to display the "Alamo Coin Club Golddigger" banner. Due to concerns about possible negative connotations of that title, the newsletter has been renamed "The Alamo News."

Elections highlighted the June meeting Newly

elected club officers are President, Gary Wolfe, 1st Vice-President, Robert Lacewell, 2nd Vice-President, Walter Cleavette, Secretary, Bob Jenkins, and board members, Richard Pinette, Pyron Coryell, Steve Young and Bob Downs. The club is seeking a replacement for Treasurer Sandy Gatchell, who will be moving to Houston.

--club newsletter, The Alamo News

Twenty-three members and three visitors were present for the May 7 meeting of the Gateway Coin Club, which was highlighted by an auction conducted by Walter Cleavette. Seventeen members heard US Secret Service Special Agent Tony Chapa's program at the May 21 meeting. Special Agent Chapa recounted details of some interesting counterfeiting cases and talked about the new security features of U.S. currency He also displayed ten different counterfeit notes that were confiscated by the Secret Service——club newsletter, The Gatepost

DISTRICT VIII

TNA District VIII Governor David Burke reported on the TNA Convention, Don Bryan gave a program on type coin collecting, and John Smolik called an auction at the May meetings of the Corpus Christi Coin Club Glen Lowthrope also talked about the ANA's new "Money Talks" radio program, set to air Monday thru Friday on Business Radio Network and National Public Radio affiliates starting this fall The club also announced that the family of Glen Littrell has donated to the club a complete set of Glen's records and notes of his ten year Whooping Crane wooden money project.

--club newsletter

DISTRICT 1X

Plans for their 1993 coin show were discussed by the 24 members of the South Plains Coin Club present at their June 1 meeting Reports on the TNA and Amarillo shows were also given A program and slide presentation on tokens and medals was given by Carl Roberson, after which an auction was conducted by Herman Jacobs and Hanson Ling

--Lamonte Pitzer, reporter

DISTRICT X

Twenty-five members and a guest were present for the May 21 meeting of the El Paso International Coin Club New officers were elected, as follows: President, Kenneth Price, Vice-President, Bill Boutwell, Treasurer, Vicente Vita, Secretary, Helen C Boutwell; Sergeant at Arms, Rafael Chame, and Governors, Valery Skekter and Ray Barajas A total of 106 ballots were counted

The June 4 meeting was opened by outgoing president Miguel Estrada, who turned over control to new president Kenneth Price Fifty-five members and guests were present. The auction, conducted by Marlin Haines, consisted of thirty-eight lots.

Thirty members and guests attended the June 18 meeting, and heard Vicente Vita's report that \$4000 worth of his gold coins were stolen from a display case in the city library, which carried no insurance on such items. A decision was made to discontinue the club's bid board, due to lack of participation.

The EPICC club picnic was held on June 28, with fifty people in attendance. The club meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 8 00 PM and would like to set up a regular eductional program. Contact the club at PO Box 3535, El Paso

79923 for more information
--Helen C. Boutwell, club Secretary

DISTRICT XI

The Golden Spread Coin Club had a coin trivia quiz and spotlighted member David Bitting in the May 25 newsletter. There was also a call for volunteers for the May 30-31 Collectors' Show in Amarillo, and a reminder that the next meeting would be held on June 8, rather than June 1, due to the show

At the show, there were a dozen numismatic exhibits, including David Cervin's Best of Show winner, "Quincentury of Voyage of Columbus," containing one of the earliest known dated coins Another highlight of the show was a special pictorial postmark marking the 66th anniversary of Route 66. The postmarked was adapted from a drawing of the famous Cadillac Ranch

Nineteen members turned out for the meeting on June 8, which featured a show-and-tell program and a discussion on the success of the Collectors' Show, which featured 130 dealer tables.

--club newsletter

DISTRICT XIII

Fifteen people attended the July 6 meeting of the Greenbelt Coin Club. Following a short report on local and regional coin shows by TNA president Ray Whyborn, a program was presented by Bill and Joan Howard of Quannah. The Howards showed photos and told stories of their recent trip to Japan. They remarked that they were most impressed with the cleanliness of the country and the industriousness of the workforce. They were shocked at prices, however, citing dinner for two at

\$200, a dozen oranges for \$110, and a dozen golf balls for \$400. They said that they enjoyed the food, although virtually everything was served raw. They also had a very impressive ride on the Bullet Train.

--Raymond E. Whyborn, reporter

The Red River Coin Club had a turnout of ten people for the July 2 meeting. Members discussed the annual coin and stamp show that is sponsored by the club on the weekend before Thanksgiving. Committees were formed, and a search was begun for a caterer for the Saturday night social hour and meal, always furnished as a courtesy to the dealers by the club

-- Raymond E. Whyborn, reporter

Sixteen people attended the May 21 meeting of the Wichita Falls Stamp & Coin Club, Major Joe Seal's last as club president. He is leaving the service and entering private psychiatric practice in Georgia Jim Cato will serve as interim president. Pauline Copeland also announced her resignation as secretary after 30 years of service, citing failing health and a need to attend to family matters. The program was presented by Jim Cato, and his subject was Victor David Brenner, designer of the Lincoln Cent. Jim passed out a questionaire about Mr Brenner as part of his program. Afterward, John VanDunk conducted a 35 lot auction of coins and stamps, and refreshments were served.

--Raymond E. Whyborn, reporter

DISTRICT XVII

The Waco Coin Club meeting of June II was attended by twenty-one people Don Miller, TNA

District XVII governor, gave a report on the TNA convention, suggesting that everyone make plans to attend next year's gathering. Club president, Glenn Hardin, commented upon the ANA's planned daily radio broadcasts, designed to promote the hobby to the public. A short auction concluded the meeting.

Seventeen people were at the July 9 meeting, where they voted to donate their numismatic publications to the club. The publications will be tagged with a label listing the club's name, meeting location and meeting schedule, then distributed to local doctors' offices, etc. to publicize the club—J.P. Jones, reporter

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